

State of California—Health and Human Services Agency Department of Health Care Services



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CHDP Program Letter No.: 07-10

TO: ALL COUNTY AND CITY CHILD HEALTH AND DISABILITY

PREVENTION (CHDP) PROGRAM DEPUTY DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: JOINT LETTER FROM CHILDREN'S MEDICAL SERVICES (CMS)

BRANCH, WOMEN, INFANTS AND CHILDREN (WIC) SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION BRANCH AND MATERNAL, CHILD AND ADOLESCENT

HEALTH (MCAH)/OFFICE OF FAMILY PLANNING BRANCH

REGARDING VITAMIN D AND RICKETS

Attached is a joint letter signed by CMS Branch, WIC Supplemental Nutrition and MCAH/Office of Family Planning in response to a resurgence of rickets in California. The attached letter serves as a reminder about the need for vitamin D supplementation in infancy and childhood as part of CHDP anticipatory guidance. Two informational attachments accompany the letter:

- Rickets/Vitamin D Background Information and Resources, and
- Frequently Asked Questions and Answers about Vitamin D Supplementation for Infants and Children.

Please distribute the three attachments without any revisions to providers in your county and complete and return a "Report of Distribution" (DHS 4504). The DHS 4504 can be found at www.dhs.ca.gov/chdp.

If you have any questions, please contact your Regional Consultant staff.

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Enclosure

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